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## ALLIES REPORT GERMAN LINES BROKEN; CONSUL RODIEK GETS CABLEGRAM DENYING SUCH CLAIMS

### GERMANS BUILDING FLEET OF 30 ZEPPELINS, MOST POWERFUL YET

#### GERMANS HURL THEMSELVES INTO CERTAIN DEATH UNTIL THEY ARE FORCED TO YIELD

SO DECLARE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOTH LONDON AND PARIS—BERLIN NOT HEARD FROM—ACCOUNTS OF TERRIFIC FIGHTING SHOW THAT KAISER'S MEN FOUGHT WITH FURIOUS AND DAUNTLESS GALLANTRY, BUT AT CRITICAL MOMENTS REINFORCEMENTS CAME UP FOR ALLIES—"BATTLE OF FLANDERS" WILL GO DOWN AS MOST FEROCIOUS IN MODERN HISTORY—PRESIDENT POINCARÉ SIGNS MODIFICATION OF MORATORIUM, INDICATING FRANCE PREPARING FOR RETURN TO NORMAL FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

(If the official and unofficial announcements from Paris and London today are correct, the Allies have been victorious in the most critical battle of the campaign to date and the Germans have sustained a correspondingly grave defeat. Up to the time the first edition went to press, Berlin had not been heard from. In the light of the many reports in the past that were not borne out later by official confirmation, it is well to await fuller details both as to the fighting in West Flanders and that in the vicinity of Nancy.)

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.]  
LONDON, England, Oct. 27.—A statement made by French headquarters today shows that the unyielding German line has finally been broken.

After six weeks of pressure and almost incessant fighting, the French have forced the Germans across the frontier near Nancy.

Elsewhere along the entire line the Allies have resumed the offensive.

In Flanders the Germans appear to have encountered a situation analogous to that of General von Kluck, commander of the German right, when his dash toward Paris was halted. For a reason not yet fully explained, the onward sweep of the Germans in Flanders has suddenly halted.

#### All Reports Show Battles in West Flanders Set New Mark in Ferocity

LONDON, England, Oct. 27.—All reports show that the Battle of Flanders, which has been in progress for several days, is the most ferocious in modern history. The Germans charged the opposing lines night after night until their dead clogged the River Yser.

The fighting on the east is still indecisive.

#### Paris Official Despatch Makes Claims of Consistent Victory

PARIS, France, Oct. 27.—Official.—Spirited fighting continues between the mouth of the Yser and Lens, northeast of Arras, France. Here the Allies have nowhere retired.

Between Ypres and Roulers, Belgium, the Allies continue to make progress.

Between Soissons and Berry-au-Bac artillery engagements have resulted in the destruction of several more of the enemy's batteries.

East of Nancy the French have resumed the offensive and driven the enemy across the frontier.

#### Times Correspondent Tells of Furious Charges Across the Yser

LONDON, England, Oct. 27.—The correspondent of the London Times at the front with the Allies says that the most furious attack of the Germans along the line of the Yser was at Ypres, where the British during five critical days checked 250,000 Germans.

The enemy's artillery fire was terrible, says this correspondent. It churned up the entire field. It frequently buried dozens of soldiers in the trenches.

The German commanders, it is stated, had the kaiser's personal orders that they must take the French ports along the English channel. The troops did the utmost that human beings could do. Under a fire that grilled their ranks and riddled them with a deadly hail, the Germans repeatedly crossed the Yser in charges made at night. At times they advanced within a few hundred yards of the British lines. Then the British charged with bayonets, says this correspondent, and the Germans broke and fled, firing over their shoulders.

Nevertheless the shrapnel fire of the Germans grew more intense and effective and the situation more and more critical for the British.

Sheer numbers seemed likely to overbear the British until last Friday reinforcements arrived. The Germans retired fifteen miles.

#### FIRE ENGINEER IS BADLY HURT ON 'FAKE' ALARM

Walter Akana's Skull Fractured  
When Speeding Apparatus  
Overtakes

Walter H. Akana, veteran member of the Honolulu fire department, may die as the result of injuries received this morning when an engine from the Makiki station, racing eastward to answer what afterwards proved to be a false alarm, overturned at the corner of Wilder avenue and Alexander street.

According to the report at the Queen's hospital this morning, made after an examination of the injured man, Akana has sustained a fracture of the skull. He has other injuries believed to be of a minor nature. The first report by those who took Akana to the hospital was that his injuries were slight, but later in the morning Fire Chief Thurston was informed by the attending physician that the man's condition is serious. He was operated on by Dr. Todd when the extent of the injury to the skull became known.

The fake alarm was turned in at 5:45 this morning at box No. 271, Sixth avenue and Waiakae road, Kaimuki. The Kaimuki truck was started for the scene and the Makiki engine, drawn by a motor tractor, also was sent out. At Wilder and Alexander avenues the tractor tried to make the sharp turn and went over on its side, the three men riding on it being hurled from the heavy vehicle. Sam Apo, driver, and the truck crew escaped unhurt, but Engineer Akana was thrown out with great force.

Very little damage was done to the tractor and engine. Some fenders were bent, a little woodwork smashed and some paint knocked off, but in the estimation of Chief Thurston neither of the pieces of apparatus received any serious damage. The real difficulty came in getting the heavy apparatus back on the wheels. After much rigging up of ropes and pulleys to nearby trees, the tractor was set upright and towed to the Central station followed later by the engine.

Akana was picked up by the other members of the crew and taken to the hospital in the car of Fred Philip, which came along at a lucky time.

The driver of the apparatus, Sam Apo, is regarded as a careful and competent man. He has been "relieving" at Makiki station for a year or more. It was said this morning that a light rain had fallen in Manoa valley and as far south as Wilder avenue this morning early and it is thought perhaps the heavy motor skidded on the slippery paving, causing a loss of control as the car took the curve.

Chief Thurston is much perturbed over the serious consequences of the fake alarm which called out the department. He regards the alarm as probably the work of some mischievous boy.

Akana is a married man and has a family. They live near the Makiki station. He has been in the department for many years.

#### NEARLY \$10,000 NOW GIVEN FOR WAR RELIEF; OTHER ISLANDS HELP

Committee Asks Public for  
Opinion as to Division of  
Funds Between Countries

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir:—The work of the war relief committee progresses slowly. Contributions continue to come in. This morning several from the other islands brought the total up to date to \$9586.70, of which \$2501 is specifically requested to be sent for Belgium relief. The committee having sent away \$6000, and having in hand \$3500 and over, we feel that another remittance should be made promptly, as the needs of the war sufferers are very great.

A very generous response is also being made with regard to clothing and there will be quite a large number of boxes to go forward by the next American-Hawaiian boat. This same company, it seems, has made a like offer in Hilo, and therefore material of that kind will go forward direct, without having to come to Honolulu. Certainly the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company is deserving of the thanks of this community for its generous assistance.

The forms in which assistance

#### DEFENSE IN TRIAL OF JEFF McCARN ACCOMPLISHES MUCH WORK

Testimony of Nine Witnesses  
Taken This Morning—Case  
is Rapidly Coming to Close  
and May Go to Jury Within  
Few Days—Reputation of  
C. H. McBride is Attacked

The defense in the trial of United States District Attorney Jeff McCarn is proceeding with all possible speed. This fact was borne out this morning when nine witnesses were called and examined in three and one-half hours—the biggest day's work since the commencement of the trial.

The defense has but a few more witnesses to call and, as the taking of rebuttal testimony probably will be brief it is expected that the case will go to the jury before the end of this week. Witnesses called this morning were J. W. Thompson, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. E. A. Cooper, Manuel Costa, J. Edwards, Mrs. William Kayser, Mrs. Liane Soares, W. R. Castle and J. H. Soper.

J. W. Thompson, assistant district attorney, was on the witness stand a large part of this morning for cross-examination by the prosecution. City and County Attorney J. W. Cathcart immediately started a series of questions as to the testimony which Mr. Thompson gave before the federal grand jury which indicted Mr. McCarn. Mr. Thompson, in reply to a question, said he gave to the grand jury, in substance, the same testimony which he gave on direct examination yesterday.

Mr. Thompson said that he did not state to the federal grand jury that he had remained in his office during the "affair" in the federal building, and that when he came out the affair was all over. Thompson said he had heard McCarn call McBride "something like a lying" but that that was after McBride had called McCarn a "cripple."

Mrs. J. W. Thompson, wife of the assistant district attorney, was the next witness called by the defense. On the afternoon of the "affair," she said she was in her husband's office in the federal building. She went on to say that Mr. McCarn came through the office, speaking pleasantly to those present.

"After Mr. McCarn left the office and went out into the hall I heard voices," said Mrs. Thompson. "Mr. McCarn was speaking. He said 'McBride, I have stood your insults in court for two days. Someone, whom I suppose was McBride, replied he was responsible at any time for what he said.'"

The witness said she heard the words, "cripple," but that it was not Mr. McCarn who said it. Then she heard Mr. McCarn say "You're a lying

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#### Assassination of Villa Attempted, Man is Executed



Hired Agent of Gen. Gonzales  
is Said to Have Confessed  
and Implicated Leader

[Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.]  
EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 27.—An attempt to assassinate Gen. Francisco Villa, leader of the anti-Carranza forces, has failed, according to news from across the border. The assassin is said to be a hired agent of Gen. Pablo Gonzalez, a staunch supporter of Carranza. The man was executed after he made a confession which, it is alleged, implicates Gonzalez.

#### U. S. MARINES GUARD APPROACH TO THE GEIER

Another German Boat Rumored  
as Captured by Hizen Proves  
to be Japanese Collier

It will be several weeks before the little German cruiser Geier, now at the port, will be repaired and made fit to proceed to sea, according to the prediction made today in official circles, following the report, while not confirmed and not denied, that considerable new material needed in making the Geier seaworthy, will be brought from the mainland.

Cables were yesterday afternoon despatched to marine yards on the Atlantic coast and also to officials at Washington, which had to do with the securing of supplies from the United States said to be needed to complete the repairs.

The time that would necessarily elapse between the sending of the order and its being filled and shipped from a port on the east coast of the mainland would approximate three weeks, according to conservative estimate.

Geier Towed to Oceanic Wharf.  
The Geier, guarded from within and without, is today moored at the berth usually occupied by Oceanic liners. The space allotted to the German war vessel was required to accommodate the Japanese steamer Tenyo Maru. A detail of United States marines to the number of 50 men, armed with guns and fixed bayonets, are patrolling the wharf and its approaches at the instance of Admiral Moore and Collector of the Port Franklin. The customs official received instructions from Washington to secure assistance from the marine guard at the port after it had been pointed out that the customs staff of guards and inspectors was already woefully deficient in numbers.

No one was permitted to go on board the Geier today unless armed with a special permit. A limited number of machinists was at work beneath the deck. The sound of hammering and the removal of damaged material

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The members of the territorial grand jury will meet at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the judiciary building.

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#### BERLIN RAISES HUGE LOAN AND RUSHES NEW ZEPPELINS TO HURL AGAINST ALLIES

AIR-FIGHTING MACHINE OF UNPRECEDENTED SIZE IS LAUNCHED—KING MANUEL OF PORTUGAL WOULD FIGHT WITH 10,000 OF HIS TROOPS ON SIDE OF ALLIES—BRITISH STEAMER SUNK, SUPPOSEDLY BY BRITISH MINE—U. S. COMMERCE TAKES JUMP

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.]  
GENEVA, Italy, Oct. 27.—The most powerful Zeppelin military dirigible ever built has been launched on Lake Constance. Thirty more of these tremendous air-craft are being built by Germany at Dusseldorf, Colmar and Berlin. They will have special armored bomb compartments and rapid-firing guns will be mounted forward for operations against hostile aeroplanes.

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 27.—A war loan of eight hundred millions has been raised, though the government asked only for \$650,000,000. The Reichsbank has ample gold, it is said.

The Star-Bulletin this afternoon received from the German consul, Georg Rodiek, the following cable message from official German sources:

"German Consul, Honolulu: Don't care for newspaper talk. War situation very good. On west front decisive victory over north wing imminent. On east-front battle south of Warsaw going on successfully. News of Russian victories of course only ridiculous lies."

#### Yser Runs Red With Blood of Soldiers Fallen in Great Fight

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.]  
LONDON, England, Oct. 27.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at the front, under date of last Sunday, says that he counted 2500 German bodies in the river Yser, which ran red with the blood of the soldiers who fell in the repeated charges across the river. He says that on Saturday night the Germans sacrificed 5000 men in gaining a temporary foothold which they were unable to retain.

#### Poincare Takes Steps to Aid French Finances Back to Normal

BORDEAUX, France, Oct. 27.—President Poincare has signed an edict modifying the decree of moratorium, preparing for a gradual return to normal financial conditions.

#### Jump in U. S. War Exports

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.—The department of commerce figures for September show an unprecedented record in the export of grain, meat, tinne goods, etc. Decreased sales in manufacturers' cotton, caused by the shutting down of factories abroad, are a feature of the September figures.

#### Portugal to Send 10,000 Soldiers

LONDON, England, Oct. 27.—Falling of acceptance in his offer to King George to fight with the British troops, King Manuel, the deposed monarch of Portugal, has offered the republic of Portugal his services with the republic's troops in their operations against the Germans.

The Portuguese minister is now in London arranging the final details of Portugal's participation in the fighting with the Allies. Portugal will send probably 10,000 well-equipped soldiers supported by excellent artillery.

#### British Steamer Sunk by Mine

BELFAST, Ireland, Oct. 27.—The British steamer Manchester, bound with a commercial cargo from Manchester to Montreal, has struck a mine, it is not stated where. The captain and 13 of the crew were drowned. Thirty were saved. The inference is that the Manchester struck a British mine.

#### Report Antwerp's Conqueror Suicides

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands, Oct. 27.—It is reported here that General von Beseler, Antwerp's conqueror, committed suicide at Bruges on Thursday.

#### Submarine Returns Safely

BERLIN, Germany, Oct. 27.—The German submarine which was reported rammed and sunk in an engagement with the British war-vessel Badger, has returned safely.